

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

:

NAGAHISA WATANABE

: EXAMINER: PATEL, I.

SERIAL NO: 09/899,156

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: GROUP ART UNIT: 2827

FOR: PRINTED WIRING BOARD

HAVING VIA AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE SAME

RESPONSE

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

In response to the Office Action of January 30, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claims 4 and 6 without prejudice.

Please amend Claims 1 and 5 to read as follows:1

1. (Amended) A printed wiring board, comprising:

an insulating layer having a first surface and a second surface located on the opposite

side of said first surface;

Aller Suler

¹A marked-up copy of the claim amendments is attached hereto.